introduction into Mysore of the new Cattle Trespass Act and desired that the special provisions of the Act for levying higher rates of fine and for holding negligent owners of cattle responsible, may be made applicable to the Coffee Districts.

Dewan's reply.—The Deputy Commissioners of Hassan and Kadur will be asked to submit proposals in this behalf.

Subject No. 7.

Uniformity of weights and measures.

On this subject, Mr. Graham Anderson (Coffee Planter R. M. from South Mysore Planters' Association) said that the primitive and most irregular methods and contrivances adopted in small shops and bazaars for weighing and measuring commodities are a constant source of loss and annoyance to the poorer classes and manifest the necessity for introduction of a regulation prohibiting the use of local and unverified weights and measures. The so-called Kolaga used for determining the quantity of unhusked grain varies to such an extent that it is extremely rare to find two of the same capacity, and it may be truly styled the most unsatisfactory measure in the country. Representatives from the Districts of Shimoga Kadur, Chitaldroog, Kolar and Hassan also had representations to make to the same effect.

Dewan's reply.—A law applicable to the whole of India is under the consideration of the Government of India and the Darbar have to await the action of that Government. Meanwhile the orders contained in Government Proceedings No. 2812-21—G. F. 178-92, dated 18th August 1892, are all that is practicable. This order directs the Deputy Commissioners to give effect to the late Chief Commissioner's Proceedings No. 5084—G. 832, dated the 18th August 1876, pending the introduction of a regulation on the subject, and to obtain standards of weights and measures in ordinary use from the Bangalore Central Jail and keep them in places where they shall be accessible to all for purposes of test.

Subjects connected with the Gold Mining Industry.

Subject No. 8.

Special legislation for prevention of thefts in the Gold Fields.

Mr. R. Collins (R. M. from the Kolar Gold Mining Board) addressed the Dewan and said that so much has been granted during the past year that the Mining Board had more to thank the Government for benefits received, than to ask for further assistance; there were, however, two subjects which had been submitted for discussion, *viz.*, special legislation for the protection of gold quartz, amalgam and sponge gold or gold in the course of preparation and the repair of the roads. With reference to special legislation the Dewan had stated at the last Assembly that the question of a modified Act would be pressed upon the consideration of the Government of India. Since then the Board had received no information on the subject and still labor under the difficulty of